



FUTURE - DENVER VA MEDICAL CENTER - AURORA, COLORADO

PROJECT EAGLE UPDATE

Monday, October 19th, 2009

Work on the Denver VAMC Replacement Facility is well underway! The new hospital will be a state of the art facility of approximately 1.1 million square feet on 31 acres that will provide many new services to our veteran patients. It will be located on the southeast corner of the former Fitzsimons Army Base just east of Children's Hospital, north of Colfax Avenue and immediately west of RTD's planned light rail station. It will replace the current structure of 670,000 square feet that resides on 13 acres.

Leading edge technology will be included in every aspect bringing health care delivery to veterans into the 21st century. Computer technology will be utilized in an effort to increase the quality of service whenever possible. The VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System (ECHCS) treats over 62,000 veterans who choose to work and live in this area. Patients from Montana, Wyoming, Kansas, Nebraska, Arizona, and other surrounding states come to Denver to be treated at the current site. With the heavy military influence in this area, the veteran population will continue to grow in the areas served by ECHCS over the years. This facility will ensure the ability of VA ECHCS to continue to provide the best care anywhere!

Status summary for this week:

- Site Preparation Contractor started setup for abatement (site clean-up) equipment and barriers. Project sign and Health & Safety signs were installed.
- Security guard started on October 13.

Proposed tasks for next week:

- Final pre-cleanup site inspection will be held at 8:00 am on October 19.
- Complete management and removal plan for asbestos removal.

As always, you may contact me with questions at (303) 393-5205 or jordan.schupbach@va.gov.

Respectfully,

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